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<u>Useful Telephone Numbers</u>

| Hartford Crime Stoppers | 860-722-TIPS (8477) |
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In an emergency call Dial 911

Routine calls 860-757-4000

Domestic Violence Hotline (Interval House) 860-527-0550

Sexual Assault Crisis Services 860-282-9881

Report an abandoned vehicle 860-757-4440

Obtain a police report or locate a towed vehicle 860-757-4150/ HPD Records

Dog Warden 860-757-4390

All other city services Call 311



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Protect your community, and we'll protect your identity.



Hartford Police Department Southwest District Newsletter



Chief Daryl K. Roberts

A Message from the Chief of Police

To our Community Partners:

For the second year in a row the City of Hartford ended the year with the lowest number of Part One crimes in recorded history—7,935, 152 fewer than in 2008, reflecting a 1.9 % decrease. Significant reductions occurred in auto theft, which decreased by 24.7 % and Rape, which decreased by 24.3 %. Larceny also decreased slightly by .6 tenths of a percent.

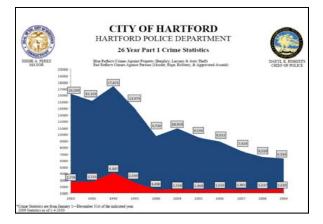
I attribute this success to the stepped up crime suppression and enforcement activity by the men and women of the Hartford Police Department. Our 2009 Safe City Summer Initiative resulted in the safest summer in over five years. Between Memorial Day and Labor Day, we reduced Part One crime by close to ten percent compared to the same period in 2008.

While we have made significant strides in reducing property crimes, which have decreased by 44 % over the past five years, violent crime has remained constant, and in 2009, increased by 5.3 %.

In 2009 Aggravated Assaults increased by 16.2 %, with Domestic Violence representing 33 % of all Aggravated Assaults (continuing a trend identified in 2008). Burglaries increased by 12 %, shooting incidents increased by 9.2 %, and Homicides increased from 32 to 33.

Yes, we have the lowest number of crimes in recorded history, however, within that number is a pocket of violence that is unacceptable to me personally and I believe to our entire community as a whole.

I want the people we serve, the residents, businesses, visitors, and those employed in our great



city to know that their police department is committed to service, relationships and safety. Please know we will be targeting individuals responsible for this violence and in doing so are committed to their arrest, prosecution and ultimate incarceration and removal from our streets and neighborhoods.

The inroads we have made would not have been possible without the positive community partnerships we have fostered throughout the year. I want to especially thank our community partners for their confidence and support of the men and women of the department. Your support makes all the difference in the world.

As your police chief I present this 2009 overview as a means to share accurate, timely and transparent information with you so that you will know what we have done and will continue to do to maintain order and suppress crime in our city. We will be resolute in our efforts to provide quality service, build positive relationships, and keep our city safe.

Daryl K. Roberts
Chief of Police

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

Behind the Rocks, Frog Hollow, Parkville and Southwest Neighborhoods

A Message from Southwest District Commander Captain John Betz:

In calendar year 2009 the City of Hartford experienced an outstanding reduction in motor vehicle theft incidents. Southwest District neighborhoods experienced the greatest reduction in this crime of any police district with a 36.5% reduction from the previous year. Reports of motor vehicle theft are down to an even greater degree when compared to 2008 (-50%), 2007 (-49%) and 2006 (-55%). We attribute the drop in auto theft to the increased efforts of motor vehicle enforcement by neighborhood patrol officers and our partnership with the Statewide Auto Theft Task Force, who helped identify illicit repair facilities and "chop shops," and arrest numerous repeat offenders.

As part of our effort to prevent thefts of frequently targeted vehicles, such as 1990s Honda products, Community Service Officers have worked with neighborhood residents and business owners to distribute theft deterrent devices to the owners of frequently targeted vehicles. The devices, or steering wheel "clubs," were provided free of charge through a local insurance company donation program, and are available through your neighborhood CSO.

Your continued assistance is needed in the effort to prevent auto theft. You can help by doing the following things:

- Be nosey, keep an eye out for suspicious activity in your neighborhood.
- Call the Police if you see something suspicious.
- Don't leave your vehicle running unattended with the keys in it.

Lock the doors and use a theft deterrent device such as "The Club."

Motor vehicle theft prevention and investigation will remain a priority activity in 2010.



"The Club" Anti-Auto Theft Device

Contact Sergeant Ian Powell at 860-757-4462 for information about the "The Club" program of the Hartford Police Department

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